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House adjourned on the motion of Sir James Martin." The adoption of the report was carried by a majority of 30 to 9.

An attempt was made to accompany the message notifying the Speaker of the House of Commons to the House of Commons with a caution clause in terms of the Parliamentary courtesy. This was defeated by 24 to 8. And another amendment of a milder character, if possible, was defeated by a majority of 30 to 9. Mr. (Mr. Dingley) thought that this was now insisted upon that this House should not make any law without making bills in accordance with the intentions of those who sent them to it—should permit absurdities to become statutes, doubts of construction to remain, which the insertion or alteration of a few words might reverse—in fine, that the House should not be allowed to perform its own functions. Of course, they all knew that no analogy existed in this respect between the privileges and duty of this House, and those of the House of Lords. He (Mr. Dingley) thought, in passing, that there was an historical in-

that the power of altering money bills had at no time been conceded to the House of Lords. In point of fact, the Lords were not originally precluded from altering money bills, and the Commons had to petition the journals prior to 1671 where their amendments to each bill were agreed by the Commons. It was in that year, and seven years later, that they received authority, including the Lords from the passing of an amended Bill of Supply, to require the Commons to originate grants was an entirely different thing, and was as old as the 40th Edward. But this was a different matter, and the Commons were not aware that our rights were clearly defined in a written Constitution made within the muncery of the youngest member of Parliament. Now, what was the exact position of this matter prior to the passing of the Bill of Supply? The Government—the necessity of which one of the members of the Government had himself admitted—the measure was laid before the Assembly, and the Commons were the Lords of that forum, and the bill was transmitted, for this purpose, to the muncery course of procedure no precedent could be found in the history of the Imperial Parliament; although there were some precedents in the history of the House of Commons who had attempted to justify the course of action, and would have been exceedingly glad to have discovered any

ground upon which these their designs could be adopted. The Hon. member said that the Hon. member had a way out of this situation which could be adopted without sacrificing the Constitution. He had given him a finding in the way in which the Hon. member had put forward his proposition. The Hon. member could not consequently give his vote for those resolutions. When the time arrived for this House to act in the assertion of its undoubted powers, he would vote for the resolutions. He would not vote for that not to be the law, which every man of intelligence in the country knew was the law, then would be the fitting opportunity to take their stand. These well-meaning resolutions would be of no use to any anxious residents of the colony in such ground. (Local cheers.)

Mr. SAMUEL said that the hon. member, Mr. Dalley, had honoured him by a reference to some course of action in the House of Representatives in England, which had taken place in 1871. The hon. member in doing so had somewhat misrepresented the course he (Mr. Samuel) took on that occasion, although, perhaps, not intentionally. He had not been in the House of Representatives in 1871, and on various occasions, both previous to and since that time. When he was Colonial Treasurer in 1869, he had introduced a bill to amend the law relating to the raising of a bill to raise a loan for a certain sum of money. Included

In that Loan Bill was a provision for consolidating certain remits of loans authorized by Parliament, and for which the Government had to go to the House of Commons. When the Assembly came up to this House. At that time it was of the utmost consequence to the country that the Government should have that matter before the House. It was the duty of the Government to get the bill introduced, and it was provided for the consolidation of this remittance loan. When the bill went back to the Assembly, it was not proceeded with. It was not proceeded with, and it was not proceeded with. It was not proceeded with to the privileges of the other branch of the Legislature in amending a money bill. Sir James Martin, who was in the Assembly at the time, knew that the bill was wanted by the Government, and he was not prepared to let it go without the bill, the Assembly permitted it to be laid aside without any protest from the hon. and learned gentleman. In the Commons, however, a number of verbal amendments, but they were, he believed, made at the instance of the Government, who required the bill most urgently, and he was not prepared to let it go without the amendments. He felt it his duty, when the bill was returned to the Assembly, to move that it be laid aside, and the hon. member (Mr. Bailey) had advised him to do so, and he was not prepared to let it go without the amendments.

He refuted the implication that he had acted inconsistently in any way. Sir James Martin, at that time, would never have allowed the Council of Ministers to be asked to consider a resolution from a group required by the Government, and the amendments were consequently accepted. He then quoted from the report of the select committee appointed in 1857 to inquire into the propriety of the proposed amendment. Mr. Westworth contended that the entire control and disposal of the public revenue should remain in the hands of the representatives of the people. He suggested that the House of Commons might suggest itself in the same way as was the case with the Canadian Constitution, in which the practice of the British Parliament was followed. He contended that the House of Commons regarded money bills, because it was the word used with reference to the powers of the English Parliament in all the books having reference to this constitutional question. He contended that the House of Commons in Canada the same words were used as in our Act, and again the words were the same in the case of the Constitution given to the Dominion of Wales. He contended that the House of Commons had the sole prerogative of the House of Lords, and they possessed the right to amend money bills. The hon. members, Sir Alfred Soper and Mr. Fiddington, had gone to the House of Commons and had seen the practice.

Debtors Bill by that Chamber. He did not think this question would have been opened up again in this discussion. But at the same time he was satisfied by the evidence that he had just heard that the Chamber of Merchants and the Chamber of Agriculture, and Sir Alfred Stephenson, because his gentleman clearly told the House that the 28th clause would not have a retrospective effect. He quoted a number of authorities, and he thought that it was not necessary to show that the 14th and 28th clauses of the Stamp Duties Bill could not have a retrospective effect, and pointed out that there could be no doubt on the point. He said that Sir ALFRED STEPHENSON: What I said was that the clauses would have a retrospective effect, but that the Act as a whole would not.] He thought that it would be held in law that the Act as a whole could not be held in law to have a retrospective effect, and that being so, with what object was the amendment of the Council inserted upon the Bill? He thought that it was the duty of the Chamber to amend money bills. [MR. C. CAMPBELL: To prevent litigation.] If this was intended to worry anything, he showed that when an Act was introduced, it was always open to the House to amend it, as the House so stated in the Act. This was not the case with the Stamp Duties Bill, or the two clauses spoken of. Great stress had been laid upon the

be shown to be necessary the Government would set the matter at rest by bringing in a bill to declare the provisions were not retrospective. He did not think it was necessary for the House to amend a bill of that kind, but the offer was not accepted. He made the offer to prevent the mischief which had since occurred. Hon. members would not be surprised if he said that it was not clear what was intended, but he said that if their contention was right, and these clauses had a retrospective effect, they would, if the clauses passed into law, be liable to be charged with having been guilty of absconding their previous liability to duty under these particular provisions of the bill would be relieved from their responsibilities. The House of Commons would not be surprised if he stated that he was not a Lord. He felt bound to defend the action of the Government against the charges made and to say that nothing was so contrary to the Parliamentary practice of the mother country with reference to bills of that character had been done. The bill went down from this House with an amendment which was not altered in the House of Lords. He said it aside. Hon. members said that they might have set it back with the amendment of the Council adopted.

But they were not right in this Council to amend money bills. It might be seen in the reports of the committee of the House of Commons appointed to search for precedents that the House had not done so. The House had not amended money bills that the practice of the Commons had been to send money bills back, either embodying or not embodying the amendment of the Lords. A select committee of the House took inquiry into the subject. They took only that course which was strictly in accordance with Parliamentary practice. If anyone would read Mr. A. A. Smith's report on the subject, they would find the reading of the Constitution Act, it would be found that he said that it desired to have the Constitution of this country analogous in every particular to that of our glorious fatherland. If the House of Commons had not done so, the House of Lords, then, men, members had no right to excuse themselves if they had been doing throughout the whole of this debate, for making the amendment, that it was to be done by the bill. He would detain hon. members no longer, and would now close and learned members particularly referred to him that evening.

MR. CHARLES CAMPBELL expressed the opinion

that Mr. Dallas had only come here to support the privileges of the House, and that he was not prepared to support the proposition of Mr. Peel, as to whether or not they should accept Sir Alfred Stephen's resolution: He occurred with that benevolence as to the law on the subject, but not as to the propriety of the measure. He said that he was not prepared to do anything to do with the intention of the framers of the Constitution Act, but simply to consider the meaning of the Act, which gave the two Chambers equal rights. He said that at no time had the House of Lords the power to alter money bills. May put it very tersely that in the time of Edward the First, the Commons were the only body in the community—voted each their own contribution or taxes. All the great privileges and rights save that of taxation, which the Commons possessed, had arisen since that time. He said that the House of Commons was said before. The House of Commons had gradually monopolised the right of voting, not only for themselves but for the Lords, and at no time was the House of Commons the only body in the community to assemble our Constitution to that of England, but it was difficult, since for the three classes in England there was only one house. He could understand that Mr. Webster, to answer to the House of



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## Auction Sales.

**TO DAIRYMEN, STOCK DEALERS, AND OTHERS.**  
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## OFFICE FURNITURE AND HOUSEHOLD EFFECTS.

Removed to the Rooms for convenience of sale.

**STUBBS AND CO.** will sell by auction, at the Rooms, on SATURDAY, April 3, at 11 o'clock, Office furniture, Drawing boards and trussels, and Sundries.

Particulars at sale.

**AUCTIONEER'S NOTICE.**

With regard to the EXHIBITS FROM GERMANY, the general public will please note that the PRIZE MANUSCRIPTS, manufactured by the SYDNEY INTERNATIONAL EXHIBITION, have been removed from the GERMANY COURT to the under-mentioned New Sale Rooms, Spring and O'Connell streets, where they are open to public inspection, prior to their sale by auction, on an early day.

Ladies particularly invited to call.

The successful makers, who have been awarded prizes, are C. ROEMISCH, W. HESSE, T. DESS, F. SCHILLING, W. MAYER, Ph. TRAYER, &c.

BRADLEY, NEWTON, and LAMB, Auctioneers and Furniture Warehousemen, &c., Spring and O'Connell streets.

FRIDAY, 2nd April, at 11 a.m.

**SYDNEY INTERNATIONAL EXHIBITION.**

**HIGHLY ATTRACTIVE SALE OF JAPANESE ART MANUFACTURES.**

The Japanese Exhibits recently on show at the Garden Palace, comprising—

EXQUISITE VASES, CHOICE Flowerpots and Comports, SUPERIOR Descent Services, HANDSOME ENAMELED WARE, &c.

A SPLENDID Assortment of the finest KOTO, OWAIR, SHIPPO YAKI or Enamelled Porcelain Vases, Koro, Spins, Flower Pots, &c.

BROZES, Engraved Koto and Koto BROTHERS, consisting of Vases, Spins, and other pieces, Koto, BROTHERS, Cast-iron, Engraved, and a choice variety of IRON FURNITURE, inlaid with gold and silver.

LAQUER WARE, CABINETS highly ornamented with Gold and Silver, and Pearl and Porcelain.

Jewel Boxes, Work Boxes, Work Tables, Glass Boxes, Fan Boxes, Tobacco and Glass Boxes, Writing Boxes, CARD PLATES, in Laquer, Marbled, and other designs.

TO THE GENTLEMEN, PROPRIETORS OF FANCY RESTAURANTS, THE GENERAL PUBLIC.

BRADLEY, NEWTON, and LAMB have been favoured with instructions from the exhibitors to sell by auction, at their New Sale Rooms, Spring and O'Connell streets, THIS DAY, 2nd April, at 11 a.m., The whole of the MAGNIFICENT SELECTION OF JAPANESE EXHIBITS.

Catalogues obtainable at the Rooms.

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